

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS


Claims 1-3, 6, 8, 12-19, 22, 25, 28 and 31-36 are pending in the captioned application. Applicants gratefully acknowledge Examiner's allowance of claims 1-3, 6, 8, 12-19, 22, 25 and 28.

Claims 30-36 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a). Applicants respectfully disagree. However, in an effort to expedite prosecution, Applicants hereby cancel these claims rendering the rejections moot. Applicants reserve the right to file one or more continuation applications, prosecuting these claims.

Applicants believe that the above constitutes a complete response to the outstanding Office action. Applicants submit that the pending claims are in allowable form. Early and favorable action is earnestly solicited.

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